



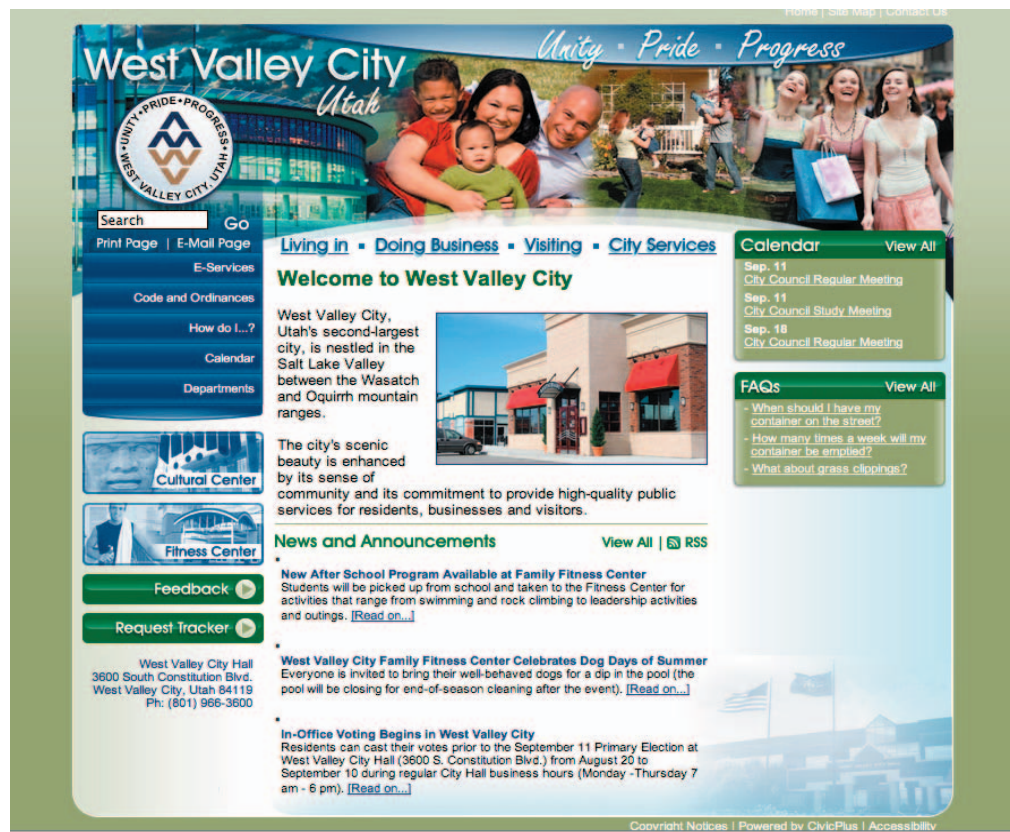
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West Valley City Updates Website

Beginning mid-October, West Valley City will have a new look. After many months of hard work, West Valley City's webpage is getting a face lift that is more than just pretty on the outside. The new webpage will include many interactive features, is accessible to persons with disabilities, and allows all residents, businesses, and visitors to learn about the City and conduct business online.



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Mobile Patrol Training

For residents participating in the Mobile Patrol program, training is required every two years. For your convenience, training classes are held quarterly.

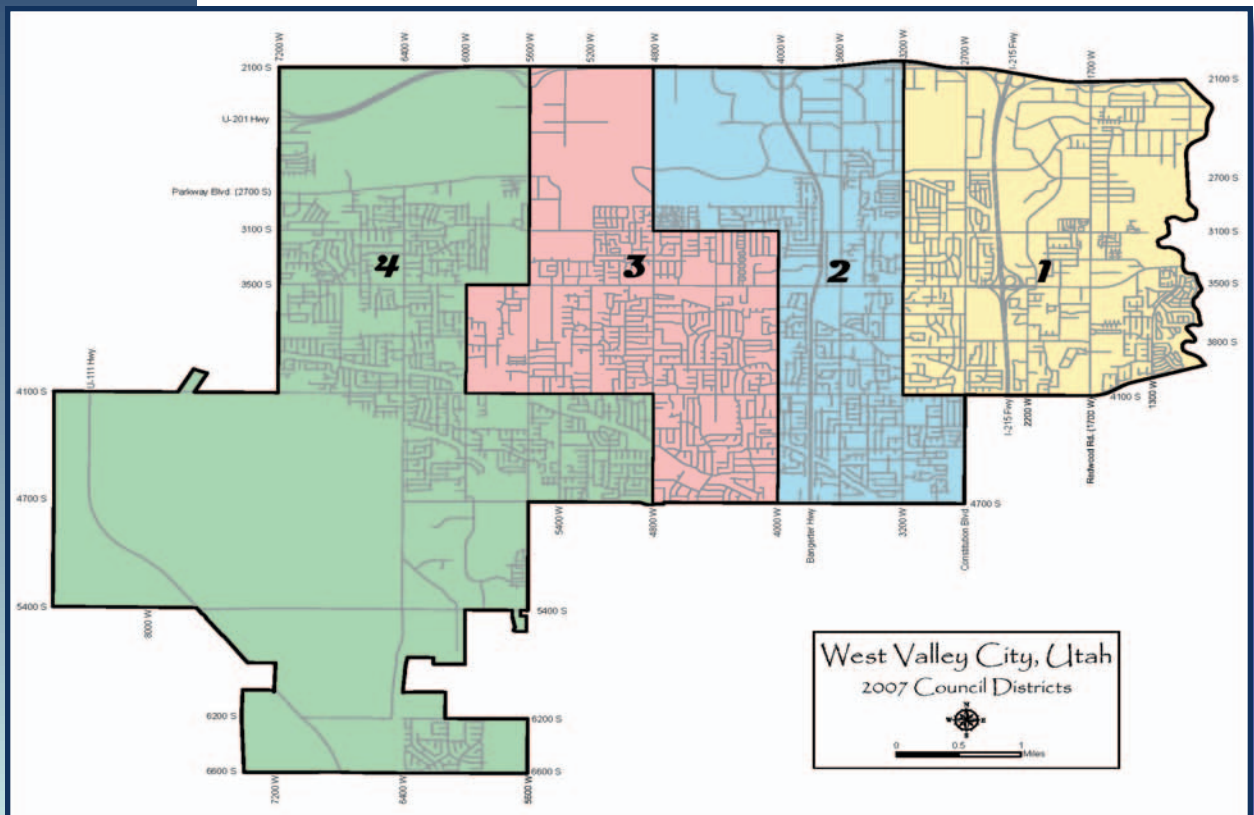
The next training will be held on:
Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2007
West Valley City Hall
Multi-purpose room
7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

City Council Elections

The West Valley City Recorder's Office will host a Meet the Candidates Night on Tuesday, October 30, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. at the Utah Cultural Celebration Center (1355 W. 3100 S.). All six candidates will participate in an hour-long evening forum answering questions submitted by West Valley City residents. The candidates will be in the lobby of the Cultural Center approximately one hour prior to the evening forum to mingle and answer any questions.

Residents can submit questions prior to the forum at ojackson@wvc-ut.gov or residents can submit questions prior to the forum starting on October 30, 2007.

Several candidates have expressed interest in meeting with your Neighborhood Watch groups. The City takes your privacy very seriously and for this reason, your names have not been given to the candidates running for City Council. If you are interested in having candidates join your meetings, please contact them and ask them if they would like to join your meeting.



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General Plan Update

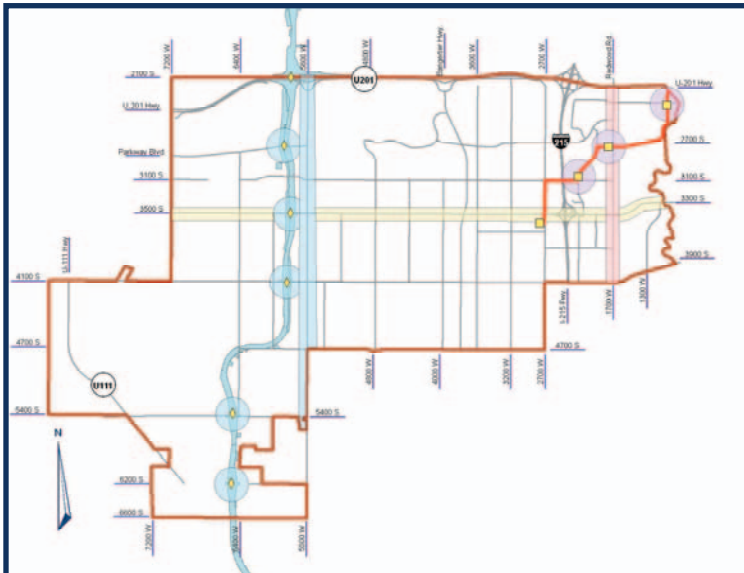
NOW IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY!

Attend a Visioning Meeting to discuss Land Uses in West Valley City's Opportunity Corridors.

The Opportunity Corridors are some of the areas most likely to experience significant changes in the next 25 years.

Opportunity Corridors include 3300/3500 South, Redwood Road, 5600 West, and the areas surrounding the proposed light rail stations and Mountain View Corridor interchanges.

How should these areas look? What land uses are appropriate? Your help is needed to shape the future in West Valley City. Please attend a meeting scheduled below:



3300/3500 South

October 6, 2007

8:00 am to 10:00 am

Utah Cultural Celebration Center

5600 West/Mountain View Corridor

October 20, 2007

8:00 am to 10:00 am

West Valley City Family Fitness Center

West Valley City Light Rail Corridor

November 10, 2007

8:00 am to 10:00 am

Utah Cultural Celebration Center

Redwood Road

November 17, 2007

8:00 am to 10:00 am

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Halloween Safety Fair

Halloween Safety Fair
Saturday, October 20th
1:00 p.m.
West Valley City Family Fitness Center
5415 West 3100 South

Join special guests Patch, Grizzbee, and McGruff at the Family Fitness Center for a free child safety fair. West Valley City Police and Fire Departments will be on hand, offering halloween safety tips, fire safety tips, and other helpful information to keep your kids safe as they trick-or-treat. Kids may also participate in a costume parade, costume contest, and trick-or-treat through the Fitness Center.

Free for kids 12 and younger (with parent)

WEST VALLEY CITY
Daily Ride Program

Costco

Here are some "Safety Do's" to review with your children and grandchildren:

- Always Trick-or-treat with and adult.
- Wear bright colors and stay in well-lit areas.
- Throw away any unwrapped candy.
- Look both ways before crossing the street.
- Always take your time.
- BE SAFE!!

Join us October 20 for some fun and more safety tips!



New Handouts

The West Valley City Neighborhood Services Office is excited to announce four NEW handouts to help Neighborhood Watch groups address some key concerns. Several groups have expressed interest in having more information to help address issues like: lighting, parking, and general community pride. In response, the City has composed three handbills that are 8.5" x 5.5" for your use. Because of budgetary constraints this year, these will only be produced on a request basis.

The Neighborhood Watch brochure is also being updated. The old brochure is being broken up into a three part series. The first, "Neighborhood Watch: Helping Prevent Crime" has been ordered and should be available mid October. The next two brochures will focus on "Neighborhood Watch: Getting Started" and "Neighborhood Watch: Mobile Patrol."

COMING SOON: Snow? Yep, it's almost that time. We are currently working on a "Winter Safety" door hanger.

Community Pride

West Valley City urges you to take pride in our community. We offer you the following suggestions:

1. Keep your lawn and parking strip watered, fertilized, and free from weeds. Mow it regularly.
2. If you remove landscaping from the front yard, the remaining landscaping can not be less than 60% of the front yard. Park strips are generally landscaped but each subdivision can have their own requirements. Do not park cars on the lawn.
3. Trim your bushes and shrubs - keep them looking neat.
4. Observe the speed limits. Residential zones are 25 mph.
5. Remove your garbage cans from the streets as soon after the weekly pickup as possible. Cars left on the street can be an invitation to thieves.
6. Sweep your gutters regularly and keep drain grills free from debris.
7. Keep leaves raked up and dispose of them properly.
8. Turn on porch lights from dusk to dawn. It only costs pennies per day. This serves as a great crime prevention tool.
9. Remove sale and lost signs immediately.
10. Grocery carts belong to the store. It is a crime to remove them from the store parking lot.
11. There should be no loud noise between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. This includes music, car honking, revving of engines, or parties.

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Unity Pride Progress

Parking Quiz

Did you know that failure to follow any of the following parking guidelines could get you a ticket?

1. Vehicles should not block or extend into a public sidewalk.
2. Vehicles should not be parked in front of a public or private driveway.
3. Vehicles should not be parked within 15 feet of a fire hydrant.
4. Vehicles should not be parked within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection.
5. Vehicles should not be parked within 30 feet of a stop sign.
6. Vehicles can not be double parked on the street.
7. Vehicles need to be parked within 12 inches of the curb on the street.
8. Vehicles should not be parked on the street facing into normal traffic flow.
9. Vehicles parked on any road must be registered with proper registration validation on display.

For more information on parking and how to properly operate your vehicle on Utah roads, please visit the West Valley City website at: <http://www.wvcid.org/civildocs/traffic922.htm> and the Utah Department of Public Safety Driver License Division website at: <http://drivlicense.utah.gov>

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Lighting Safety Tips

Lighting can be one of the greatest deterrents to crime in our community. We offer you the following suggestions:

1. Leave lights on when you go out at night. Timers can be used to give the impression someone is home, turning lights on and off.
2. Leave porch lights on at night to illuminate your yard and home. It is estimated that a 75 watt light bulb will light your yard for less than \$2.0 a year.
3. Motion lights have become very affordable in recent years. Install motion lights in your yard to help illuminate areas like driveways, side yards, and back yards.
4. Think like a criminal. Turn on your outside lights and evaluate dark areas, look for areas you can hide in the shadows. If you can hide, so can a criminal. Adjust your outside lighting or landscaping to help eliminate these hiding places.
5. Make sure your street lights are working. Let the City know when lights are no longer working.
6. Maintain your outside lighting. Replace bulbs when they stop working.

A well lit street and neighborhood can be a great deterrent to criminal activity. An alert neighborhood with residents looking out for each other is also needed. Be alert, watch for activity that does not belong in your neighborhood and let the Police and your neighbors know ASAP!

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
HELPING PREVENT CRIME

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A healthy, united community is one of the strongest deterrents to crime.

FINANCE QUESTIONS

Recently a couple groups have inquired about using the City tax id number and if they can file for tax exempt status.

- No, I can not give you the City tax id number to use for your supplies for events. BUT, if you would like and if I have enough notice, I would happy to go shopping with you and use my City Visa. Your group will need to be prepared to reimburse me at the time of the purchases.

- Your groups can file with the State as Non-profit corporations, the cost is about \$25. This will give you a corporate tax id to use on bank accounts as well as give to potential sponsors of your events. You would be shielded from most liability by the corporation and you would also be eligible to receive City funding, should it be available, through the provisions in Title 10 of the Utah Code that allow the City to provide funding to non-profits. This will probably mean that you will have to hold regular meetings, have a set of bylaws, and possibly file an annual tax return if you receive significant income.

I hope that helps.